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SUBJ: TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS FOR DIPLOMATS

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CHARGE MET WITH CHIEF OF PROTOCOL SEPT 18 TO DISCUSS MRGD TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS FOR DIPLOMATOS. AS INDICATED REFTTEL, MIN HAD INFORMED EMBASSY BY DIPNOTE THAT "IN THE FUTURE, ADVANCE NOTICE OF TRAVEL OF THE EMBASSY'S DIPLOMATS" WAS REQUIRED. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL'S INITIAL POSITION WAS THAT THE 1973 ORDER REQUIRING NOTIFICATION BY CHIEFS OF MISSION APPLIED TO ALL DIPLOMATIS. WHEN SHOWN A COPY OF THE ORDER, WHICH HE APPARENTLY HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY SEEN, HE QUICKLY BACKTRACKED AND INDICATED THAT THE ORDER WAS NOT BEING EXPANDED, BUT RATHER APPLIED STRICTLY TO CHIEFS OF MISSION. AS MARTIN CHESHES WAS ACTING AS CHARGE AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT, APOLOGIES WERE EXTENDED TO THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL FOR THE EMBASSY'S OVERSIGHT IN NOT ADVISING THE FORNMIN OF THE TRIP AND HE WAS ASSURED THAT IN THE FUTURE, AS IN THE PAST EXCEPT FOR THIS ONE INCIDENT, NOTIFICATION FOR ANY OFFICIAL TRAVEL BY THE CHIEF OF MISSION WOULD BE MADE TO THE MINISTRY. THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL THEN MIDLY BERATED HIS UNDERLINGS FOR HAVING INCORRECTLY WORDED THE NOTE SENT TO THE EMBASSY AND WE PARTED AMICABLY.

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